

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Peace Action and Peace Action West, two foreign policy advocacy groups that lobby for civic activism as a solution to global problems, have released their Congressional Scorecard for 2009. The organizations awarded Congressman Sam Farr (D-Carmel) a 91 percent rating.

"I'm proud of the votes I have cast to bring about a more peaceful world, and I'm happy that there are groups like Peace Action that lobby Congress on these important issues," said Congressman Sam Farr (D-Carmel).

Rep. Farr, who has received 100 percent ratings from Peace Action in the past, was dinged for voting in favor of a bill that would provide tighter sanctions to rein in Iran's nuclear program. That legislation passed the House by a vote of 412-12. Only one member received a 100 percent rating this year.

The scorecard rates the voting records of the members of the 111th Congress on legislation key to advancing a responsible foreign policy agenda. The scorecard highlights voting records on 13 pieces of legislation ranging from human rights to Pentagon funding to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The complete Congressional Scorecard is available online at <http://www.peace-action.org/votingrecord.pdf>.

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